

Foil Pairs in *To Kill a Mockingbird*

Character foil: a person who contrasts the qualities of another character.

From the following list, choose the character most different from those in Column A. Write their name in Column C. In Column B, identify the qualities, values, or roles that are highlighted by these characters.

The Cunninghams
Alexandra
Calpurnia

Grace Merriweather
Miss Stephanie
Mayella

Bob Ewell
Atticus

Column A	Column B	Column C
Calpurnia	Mother figures, ladylike behaviour, Scout's respect	Alexandra
Atticus	Father figures, education, courage, racism	Bob Ewell
Scout	Education, family situations, discrimination	Mayella
Lula	Blacks' attitudes towards outsiders	Calpurnia
The Ewells	Poverty situations	The Cunninghams
Nathan Radley	Treatment of children	Atticus
Mr. Underwood	Opinions following trial, ability to see what happens within your own community	Grace Merriweather
Miss Maudie	Social behaviour, gossip	Miss Stephanie

Parallel Pairs in *To Kill a Mockingbird*

Mirror or parallel character: a person who is developed similarly to another character, or who represents similar beliefs or qualities in order to emphasize similar traits or theme.

From the following list, choose a character the matches the one in Column A. Write their name in Column C. In Column B, identify the qualities, values, or roles that are highlighted by these characters.

Cecil Jacobs
Nathan Radley
Mayella
Dill

Mr. Cunningham
Miss Maudie
Mr. Underwood

Miss Gates
Heck Tate
Tom Robinson

Column A	Column B	Column C
Atticus	Fatherly behaviour, moral beliefs about racism	Mr. Cunningham
Calpurnia	Ladies admired by Scout, polite, respectable	Miss Maudie
Scout	Demonstrate growing maturity	Dill
Mr. Underwood	Courage to change beliefs and to stand up to society, societal role models	Heck Tate
Mr. Cunningham	Positive effects of the trial	Mr. Underwood
Francis	Reflect their parents' beliefs, demonstrate racist attitudes in children	Cecil Jacobs
Mrs. Merriweather	Women who can't see what needs to be fixed within their own community	Miss Gates
Boo	Both blamed for things that never happened	Tom
Bob Ewell	Poor treatment of children	Nathan Radley